



65 Years of DX-cellence

June 2013



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The Southern California DX Club Newsletter est. 1947

*"If you need him get
in there and work
him"*

The Southern California DX Club is a group of dedicated men and women active in the amateur radio community who enjoy communicating over the air with other radio amateurs around the world.

The SCDXC strongly supports the DX Code of Conduct. Please visit their website:

www.dx-code.org

The newsletter is published every month and is released to its members about the first of each month. Amateur and DX related letters, news and pictures are welcome and will be published as time and space permit.

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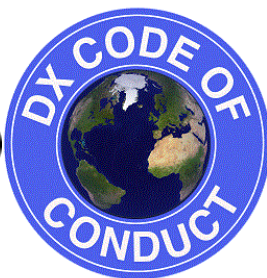
Meetings are held on the second Thursday of the month at 7:30 PM except April, June and December.

Please check the club web site for events and details at:

<http://www.scdxc.org>

If you are in the area please say hello on our repeater:

W6AM/R145.48,(-) 100Hz PL



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2013 SCDXC DXer of the Year

Carolyn Jacob, KE6BUH

2013 Clipperton Award Winner

George Jacob, N6VNI

DXCC Challenge Award

HRO Ham Jam!

June 15th HRO Anaheim

**Making friends all over the world using the magic of Amateur Radio.
Sponsors of the International DX Convention, since 1949**

SCDXC Annual Picnic UPDATE!

In addition to the prize raffle there will be a second general raffle with prizes similar to the regular meeting raffles. Be sure to bring a few bucks to buy these separate tickets. From what I heard the prizes are going to be really good!

If you are planning to bring something to the picnic please consider a side dish as opposed to a desert. A salad or hot dish would be appreciated.

SCDXC Annual Picnic Sunday June 9, 2013 at 11:00am

The SCDXC Picnic will be held Sunday, June 9th 11:00 AM, at Woodley Park, Grove 2, in Van Nuys. The club provides hamburgers, hot dogs, chicken, drinks, and paper goods. Bring a side dish and your appetite! Talk in on W6AM/R 145.480 MHz PL 100.00 Hz.

Prizes

We will have our special raffle board for a chance at complete station package (One Drawing). The prize is an Icom 7200. The spots are \$10.00 each. Square sales will begin at the May meeting.

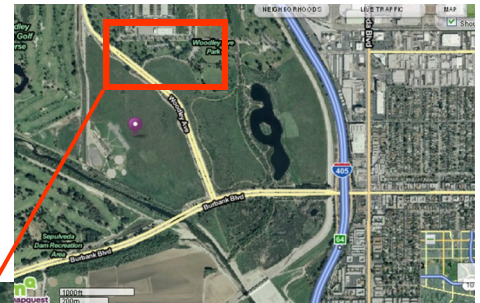


Directions

The location this year is just south of the Donald C. Tillman Water Reclamation Plant. Enter at the entrance of the water reclamation plant. Look for our club signs and banners!

From the south exit the 405 freeway at Burbank, this is the first exit past the 101 freeway. Turn left (West) onto Burbank travel about 3/4 of a mile to Woodley Ave. Turn Right at the stop light and go north about 1/4 of a mile. The entrance to the picnic area and parking lot will be on the right (East) side.

From the north exit the 405 Freeway at Burbank, Turn right (West) onto Burbank travel about 3/4 of a mile to Woodley Ave. Turn Right at the stop light and go north about 1/4 of a mile. The entrance to the picnic area and parking lot will be on the right (East) side.



See you there!

DXer of the Year

Arnie Shatz, N6HC



K7C-Kure atoll (2005) 3B7C- St. Brandon Island (2007) TX5C- Clipperton Island (2008)
K4M-Midway Island(2009) T31A- Kanton Atoll Central Kiribati (2011)
T32C- Christmas Island Eastern Kiribati(2011) NH8S-Swains Island (2012)

Rookie of the Year

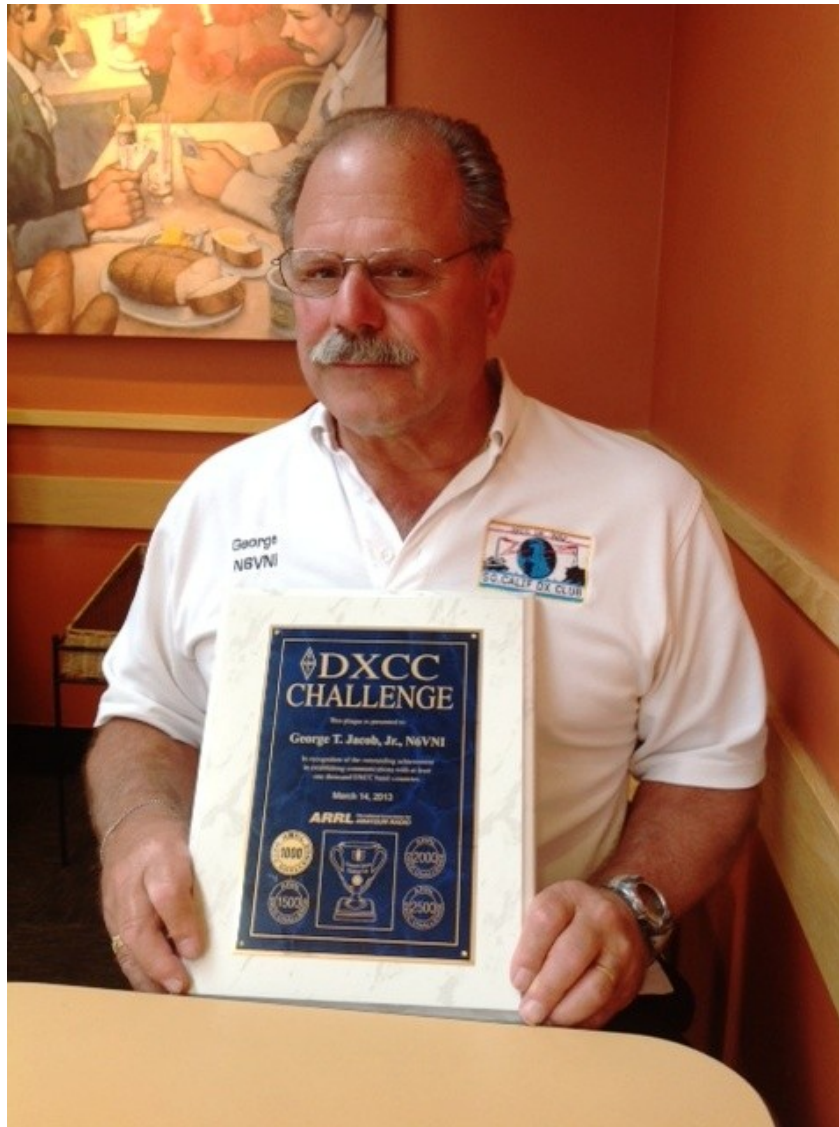
Clipperton Award

Carolyn Jacob, KE6BUH



New DXCC Challenge Member!

George Jacob, N6VNI



A new recipient of the DXCC Challenge Award is our own George Jacob, N6VNI. George has been persistently chasing DX and racking up single band DXCCs. This award requires 1000 band-entities as the starting point. You can submit an entity only once per band. Mode does not apply. The top of the heap on this one is above 3000 so this is a long term project! The fun part is that there is lots of stuff to work and the numbers run up pretty quick! Soon enough George will be crossing the 1500 marker.

Like the plaque? It is nicer than any of the regular awards including 5BDXCC and the eternally ugly DXCC Honor Roll plaque. It is bigger too.

Way to go George. Anyone who has a photo of their latest award may forward it to us for publishing.

2014 IDXC – Visalia

Sponsoring Hotel Bookings and Special raffle

The 65th International DX Convention will be held at the Visalia Convention Center

Thursday April 3 through Sunday April 6.

The SCDXC has listened to your phone calls and read your e-mails.

The SCDXC will be making the changes and improvements that you have requested!!!

Hotel Reservation should be made directly with the Sponsoring Hotels beginning on the date and time at the telephone numbers shown below.

When you book your Hotel reservations be sure to tell them you are attending the 2014 IDXC Convention at the Visalia Convention Center.

Comfort Inn - Downtown	559-738-1700	May 13 @10:00 AM
Hampton Inn	559-732-3900	May 13 @10:00 AM
Lamp Liter Inn	559-732-4511	May 13 @10:00 AM
Holiday Inn	559-651-5000	May 13 @10:00 AM
Comfort Inn – Airport	559-651-3700	May 13 @10:00 AM
Marriott	559-636-1111	May 27 @10:00 AM

NO FAX RESERVATIONS

To be eligible for a very special drawing you must book at one of the 6 Sponsoring hotels listed above. You will receive one special raffle ticket in your registration packet for each night booked for the Convention (a maximum of 4 nights, Thursday – Sunday).

- * Only hotel reservations made after the dates shown above are eligible, note the Marriott can't begin taking reservations until Monday, May 27
- * Only one hotel reservation per Convention registration will be counted toward the raffle prize.
- * You must occupy the room.
- * For persons sharing a room, raffle tickets will only be available to the person listed on the reservation. Sharing the prize will be the responsibility of the winner.
- * Reservations made after Friday March 7, 2014 will not be eligible for the drawing.

Reserve Your Room Early – Only 1200 Tickets will be Printed!

Check back from time to time for the details of the Special Raffle Prize to be awarded to a 2014 Convention attendee who is staying at one of the Sponsoring Hotels.

THE PREZ SEZ

Ernie Nairne, N6HY,
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Hello DXers!

Hope to see everyone at the picnic! Good friends, good food, and good prizes!

The sun has been sending out X-Class flares, four in the past few days. The sunspot number was up to 212. Hope for more sunspots.

The bands have been open late. 20, 17, and 15 have been open to Europe and the Pacific. Stations were worked on CW, SSB, and RTTY. Best contact was SX4KL on 20 RTTY and 4K6FO on 15 CW. During these times of solar flares look for 6 and 10 to be open.

What is this “Get Schroeder N6QQ Contest”? The contest is for club members. See the details later on in the BULLETin.

Mark, K6FG, received his PT0S QSL card. Well, here I am still waiting for mine. It will be here soon!

73, and Good DXing!
Ernie Nairne, N6HY
President SCDXC



Treasurer's Report

Club financial information is available on request. Contact the treasurer.

Officer Guidelines

The revised version of the Officers Guidelines is available on our website. See the hyperlink below.

Code of Conduct

SCDXC endorses the [DX Code of Conduct](#)



DX Club Meeting March 2013



New DXer Resources

[New DXers Handbook](#)

http://www.udxa.org/attachments/148_New_DXers_Handbook.pdf



VICE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Wayne Spring, W6IRD,
Vice President – SCDXC
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From the VP's Shack

Sharon and I have been travelling for the past three weeks. We drove to Annapolis Maryland. Next stop was the Dayton convention, then Missouri and finally Arkansas. We had a great time with friends and family. we will see you at Dayton next year!

While on the road we delegated the VP tasks to board members George and Kris, John, and Bill. George and Kris did a great job with the raffle, John knocked our socks off with the prizes and Bill made sure the speaker didn't get lost and fed him. Thank you all of you!

This is our picnic month and we have a great event planned. Please attend. It is always fun and we really enjoy chewing the fat with friends old and new! It will be a great time!

See you there!

73, and Good DXing!
Wayne, Spring, W6IRD
Vice President SCDXC



May Prizes

K6QNY	Gift Basket
W6ZPL	Gift Basket
N6RV	Thermal Mug
WB6OFE	Thermal Mug
N6QQ	Lasko Fan
K6VC	Nut Drivers
N6IC	Nut Drivers
N6RV	HD Webcam
K6SY	21" Monitor
W6HT	Wet / Dry Vac
W6HT	MFJ Clock
N6QQ	Fire Extinguisher
N6IC	Xerox Paper
K6SY	Tom Tom GPS
K6VC	Husky Tool Tote
K6AV	Husky Tool Tote
N6VNI	Club Shirt
N6VNI	Metal Shear Set
KJ6YL	Retrieval Tools
N6RV	Lido LM 900

DXer of The Year

Congratulations
Arnie N6HC!

Clipperton Award

Congratulations
Carolyn KE6BUH!

New Members

Please welcome new members:

Clay Davis
AB9A

Carolyn Jacob
KE6BUH

Wild Bill Wiederhold
WB6BFG

Chip Angle
N6CA

Paul Carreiro
N6EV

Jim Curio
KI6FGV

John Oppen
KJ6HZ

Jerry Carter
W6JAC

Jim Bridge
K7LA

Tom Ryan
N6NPG

Richard Somers
W6NSV

Jim Forsyth
AF6O

Jim Pope
KG0PP

Dan Domondon
WA6URY

N6RRY
Greg Martens

Margaret Angle
N6SNA

Ellen Utschig
N6UWW

Make sure you meet and greet them at the next meeting!

HOLIDAY PARTY 2012



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Editors Editorial

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Hello Everybody!

You really begin to realize you're getting old when you can not sit for hours on end chasing that elusive DX entity like you did when you were young. This was the case for me with the Lakshadweep station on in the beginning of May. Two operations from VU7 within a year and neither made it to the West Coast. You could say that the West Coast is Laccadive intolerant. It is the long wait between new ones that really adds to the tension. I forgot what it was like to really chase something that may not appear again in my lifetime!

We place so much importance on these things. It is obvious because we dedicate a lot of resources in the way of time and money pursuing them, however at some point in time there is a moment of clarity. Outside our own peer group this activity is considered insignificant and arcane by many.

Clubs are social entities formed to satisfy some need or desire. For some the excitement of working a station in exotic place is the pinnacle. For others working as many entities in a calendar year or as many contests as possible is the thing that does it. For some it is the much deserved recognition and for others it is contributing to something big and the satisfaction of a job well done. Do these objectives conflict with each other? Are they mutually exclusive? No! Then we should endeavor to support each other in our respective goals. It might not be our cup of tea but it does not detract from our aspirations and it supports another members goals. We should encourage those who value them as much as we value our own. People maintain social contact as long as the benefit they derive exceeds the cost and effort. If there is no benefit, no cost or effort required they melt away. The experience should be as widely beneficial as possible.

What kills a group the fastest is dissension from members attempting to satisfy an inordinate desire. There have been many complaints from the "true" DXers that the SCDXC is not about DX and the members are not real DXers. Even disputes about who deserves what award or who should be on the board have been long running battles. Something as minute as a convention venue can precipitate a huge reaction. The point is this. Amateur radio is just a hobby and SCDXC is just a club. We need to remind ourselves that though the hobby certainly is fun for us it is the friends we make and the relationships we develop and maintain that are important. These are not one way streets. Go out of your way to find out what others want and to express your expectations with the goal of improving the SCDXC making a fun and enjoyable club.

See you at the picnic!

73, Bill, N6RV
Editor, SCDXC
SCDXC Past President - 2012
Director SCDXC 2013 Board



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CONTESTS

**John Schroeder, N6QQ,
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Hello DX Contesters!

Lets make some June QSO's

10-10 International PSK Contest -- June 1-2 (Look around 28.120 MHz)

ARRL June VHF Contest -- June 8-10 -- Who knows, 6 meters may open up for the West Coast.

ALL Asia DX Contest- CW -- June 15-16 -- This all of Asia, not just JA's

The big one -- **ARRL Field Day** -- June 22-23 -- Which club are going to join ??

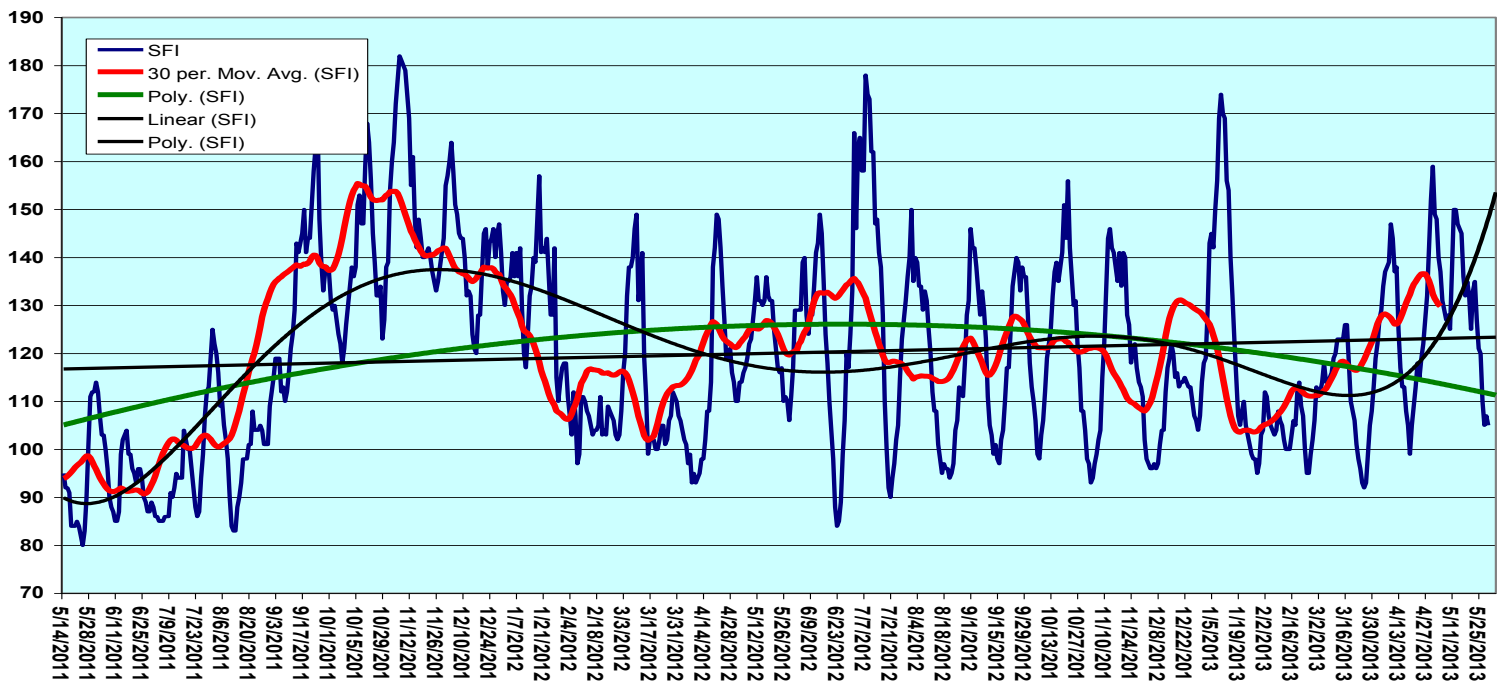
For more information on contests dates: <http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/contestcal.html>

Joined ClubLog? See the 46 SCDXC members at <http://www.clublog.org/league.php?club=60>

Hope to see you at the SCDXC Picnic!

73, John, N6QQ
ARRL and CQ Awards QSL Checker
Past President SCDXC - 2011
www.scdxc.org
<http://www.qrz.com/db/N6QQ>

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LET'S GET SCHROEDER CONTEST

At the May board meeting the board decided to create a club award that would encourage DXing among the club members. As you all know we have one member who is a little over the top when it comes to chasing DX and contesting. Even for our standards John, N6QQ, stands out as a DXer who goes to the extreme to make a vast number of QSOs and collect as many entities in a single year.

You may think our comments are untoward and rude however John himself chose the name of the contest and outlined the criteria. He has basically thrown down the gauntlet. He has placed his massive record on his shoulder and dares someone to knock it off. This must be compelling to one if not several of our club members. So without further adieu here are the contest rules.

Objective: Work as many entities in an 11 month period.
(December is left open to tally the results and hand out the awards).

Contest Period: Jan. 1st – Nov. 30th each year.

Bands: Every band permitted by the operator's license class from 160m – 6m.

Modes: Every mode permitted by the operator's license class and in the FCC assigned band segments.

Reporting: Only SCDXC Full and Associate members may participate in this contest. (*Associate Members may well become Full Members by the end of the contest.*) Use of the ClubLog site is preferred. In lieu of this contestants can send their country list to the newsletter editor every month. The editor will post the monthly results in a new contest column in the newsletter.

Winners:

Everyone who works at least Mixed DXCC will receive a certificate.

The top ten will receive special recognition at the Holiday Party and participate in the special contest described below.

The winner will be given a plaque handcrafted by John. If the contestant manages to defeat the incumbent Mr. Schroeder then the following special contest will ensue. You can only win once in a 5 year period but compete anyway!

Special Contest:

At the following summer bash John or his designated proxy will be placed in a dunk tank. The top ten contenders will be given 5 balls. The contender that scores the highest dunk percentage will win a special prize.

Disqualification:

Any participant who takes this contest too seriously will be summarily disqualified. No biting, no kicking, no gouging, just a good clean fight.

Anyone who operates outside their privileges or violates any of the laws regulating amateur radio in the pursuit of the top position will be disqualified and immediately become a candidate for John's proxy.

That is it. Keep it simple. If a snag occurs we will modify the rules on the fly.

Since we are starting mid-year there will be one condition. This year only the members who start on June 1st are given an advantage. All the entities that John has worked up to but not including June 1st will count for everyone! That ought to make him scramble even faster to keep the dunk tank at bay!

THE DAILY DX CHALLENGE

This challenge is also inspired by John, N6QQ. In a discussion with the enigmatic soul known as quack-quack we discovered he has set a goal to work at least 10 entities a day. Everyday John resets his counter and works DX. It could be the same common countries day in and day out or a mix of new and old.

Here is the challenge. Try doing this. Report your monthly count to the newsletter editor and he will post it in the newsletter. At the end of the year the person with the most day – entities will be recognized at the January meeting. Furthermore the participants who submit their records will receive a chance at a special drawing.

This again is open to club members only. No shenanigans as described in the disqualification section of the Lets' Get Schroeder Contest. You can only win once in a 5 year period but compete for bragging rights anyway.

DX ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Celebrate the Successes of Our Fellow Members!

Eight members updated their standings! Keep up the good work!

Call	DXCC	WAZ
K6YRA	376 / 340	290 / 200
K6YUI	365 / 340	349 / 192
W6BCQ	365 / 340	
K5KT	355 / 340	
W6ENZ	347 / 338	311 / 200
K6UNR	337 / 340	
SM5GMZ	337 / 329	265 / 166
W6DOE	208 / 206	

There is a little competition going on among club members. It was initiated by John, N6QQ. The deal is to see who works the most countries in a calendar year. We are using ClubLog to determine the count. Even if you are not interested in competing it is fun to see where you stand!

SCDXC WAZ and DXCC Standings (N6RV)

The first WAZ column is the confirmed zone count on 10 bands 160 - 6 (less 60 meters). The second column is the regular 5BWAZ confirmed count. The following are the codes that follow the two columns and indicate the awards:

M	Mixed
P	Phone
C	CW
R	RTTY
5	5 Band

The first DXCC column is the confirmed entity count with deleted countries. The second column is the confirmed current entity count. Those in **tan** are at the top of the current honor roll.

If you have any information to post please go to the on-line webform and update your standing:

<http://www.scdxc.org/dx-update.html>

WAZ STANDINGS

	10B / 5B	Awards
K6ND	378 / 200	M/5
W6SR	369 / 200	M/P/C//5
K6FG	363 / 197	M/P/C/R/5
EU7A	360 / 200	M/5
WA5VGI	357 / 200	M/P/C/5
W8DX	357 / 200	M/5
N6AW	355 / 200	M/P/C/5
K6YUI	337 / 200	M/P/C/R/5
K6YRA	290 / 200	P/5
W6BCQ	277 / 200	M/P/5
WD6L	248 / 200	M/P/5
N6OU	220 / 200	M/5
K6UNR	/ 200	M/P/5
W6VX	352 / 199	
NS6C	198 / 198	
K6GXO	358 / 198	M
SM5GMZ	345 / 196	M/P/C
W6ENZ	307 / 193	
N6MXU	155 / 193	
K2PLF	191 / 191	
N6RV	302 / 187	M/P/C
KC6X	294 / 187	M/P/C/5
N6QQ	325 / 186	M/P/C/R
K6LD	314 / 186	M/P/C
W6YOO	308 / 185	M/P/C/5
KH6DX/m	210 / 184	
K0OK	286 / 173	
K6SY	246 / 173	P
W6ZPL	237 / 173	M/P
KJ6Y	261 / 172	
KR6C	295 / 171	M/C
AD6KQ	226 / 164	
N6DHz	214 / 160	P
K6KII	191 / 177	M
KH6MB	181 / 174	
SM5GMZ	265 / 166	M/5
W6DR	227 / 159	
NK6A	152 / 152	M/5
W6NRQ	180 / 147	M/P
WA6BOB	152 / 136	M
W6IRD	151 / 111	M/P
W5DQ	161 / 122	
K6IRD	154 / 126	M/P
WB6PSY	139 / 140	P
KT6LA	132 / 103	
N6HE	130 / 138	
W3SE	102 / 112	
K6IRA	118 / 102	
K6VC	96 / 96	P
W6EA	92 / 86	
N6UC	78 / 78	M
KA6TTV	82 / 67	
N6VNI	86 / 64	
N6RRY	74 / 64	
N6GIL	49 / 43	
W6DCK	40 / 40	P
K6JW	40 / 40	M/P
K6YR	39 / 39	
W6DOE	37 / 37	
NZ6L	36 / 36	
W4EF	29 /	
N6AWD		M
N6HC		M/P/C
KB6KTV		P
W6OES		M
K8RD		C

DXCC STANDINGS

	TOT / CUR
K6KII	387 / 340
JA1BK	377 / 338
K6YRA	376 / 340
K6EXO	370 / 338
W6BCQ	365 / 340
K6YUI	365 / 340
N6UC	367 / 340
K6IPV	362 / 340
NS6C	360 / 340
W6HT	358 / 338
W6SR	358 / 340
WA6WZO	357 / 340
K8RD	356 / 340
K5KT	355 / 340
N6AW	355 / 337
K6FG	355 / 340
K6GXO	355 / 340
K2PLF	354 / 340
N6RV	354 / 338
W8DX	353 / 340
W6IRD	352 / 336
W6OES	351 / 334
W6AUG	350 / 340
N6QQ	350 / 334
W6YOO	349 / 340
KC6X	349 / 340
W6KK	348 / 340
W6VX	348 / 340
WA5VGI	348 / 340
N6AWD	348 / 338
WB6PSY	348 / 337
K6ND	347 / 340
EU7A	347 / 339
W6OM	347 / 337
W6ENZ	347 / 338
N6HC	345 / 337
K6LD	344 / 338
W6DCK	342 / 336
KR6C	341 / 339
KB6KTV	340 / 335
N6MG	339 / 331
N6OU	338 / 330
K6UNR	337 / 340
SM5GMZ	337 / 329
N6HY	333 / 329
K2IXQ	333 / 329
AD6KQ	328 / 328
KM6HB	332 / 327
KJ6Y	327 / 323
W6FL	318 / 305
W6ZPL	317 / 317
K6SY	312 / 310
K0OK	306 / 304
W6HB	303 / 295
N6MXU	301 / 297
N6GP	299 / 294
WD6L	295 / 295
K6JW	295 / 290
NK6A	295 / 270
N6DHz	288 / 284
K6IRA	286 / 286
W6NRQ	285 / 281
W6DR	282 / 278
K6DJ	274 / 272
K7MY	272 / 270
N7CQQ	268 / 266
K6VC	267 / 264
K6IRD	260 / 250
N6WIN	258 / 253
KT6LA	248 / 246
K6YR	244 / 244
W3SE	240 / 237
K6HCJ	235 / 235
W5DQ	225 / 220
N6VNI	223 / 223
KN6VF	223 / 223
ZL3TE	222 / 220
W6DOE	208 / 206
K6LX	204 / 204
WA6BOB	202 / 198
W6VWV	194 / 192
N6HE	192 / 185
N6RI	189 / 180
W6EA	152 / 152
KA6TTV	149 / 149
K6OGO	142 / 142
W4EF	132 / 132
WA6NOL	127 / 130
N6CA	131 / 131*
WB6PJC	111 / 111
N6RRY	60 / 60
NZ6L	27 / 27

RUMORS ON THE BAND

A plethora of announcements, rumors, and serious DX fun

Well the Solar Flux is on! The numbers are steadily rising. We may be heading for the second peak. It is also the beginning of Sporadic E season on 6 Meters. About every 6 years the Es peaks. Loud signals from all over the world can be heard with a minimal antenna. Asia usually peaks about sunset or after and around midnight. South America is in the late morning and afternoon. Africa is in the morning and Europe seems to be in the evening. Also the Pacific peaks in the afternoon. Keep an ear out. If things get funny on 10 Meters at night run up to 6 and check out the action!

The month looks like slim pickins! The big DX is [Marion Island](#). There are however many permanent DX stations going at it. How about taking the N6QQ challenge? Work 10 countries a day. Even if you work the same 10 countries each day you will be promoting DXing. I have been attempting to accomplish this lofty goal and you know about 20% of the entities worked are fairly rare, so rare that they have increased my band slot count. How about getting on board and making some noise?

Blue Information indicate particularly rare entities and **Red information** indicate SCDXC member attended DXpedition. As always you have to turn on your radio to work them.

Useful DX Sites

[The Daily DX](#)

www.dailydx.com/

[Announced DX Ops](#)

www.ng3k.com/misc/adxo.html

[DX Coffee](#)

<http://www.dxcoffee.com/eng/>

[DXing.info](#)

www.dxing.info/dxpeditons/

[DX 425 News](#)

www.425dxn.org/dxped/

[Dx-info.de](#)

www.dx-info.de

[DX Italia DX News](#)

www.marioi2mqp.it

[DH9SB Weekly DX Calendar](#)

<http://www.dx-info.de>

[N0HR DXpedition Map](#)

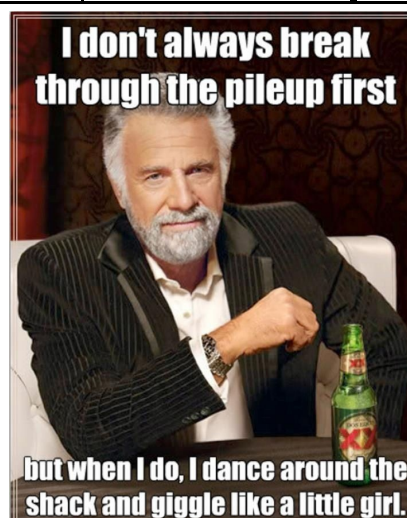
www.n0hr.com/wk34/

[The DX Zone](#)

www.dxzone.com/catalog/DX_Resources/

Call	QTH	Start Date	End Date	Information	Website
SU9AF	Egypt	Now		RW3AH	
RI1ANF	S. Shetland Islands	Now			
Z81B	South Sudan	Now		IZ0EGB	-
MJ/ON6NB	Jersey Island	Now	5/30/2013	ON team, 160-2M, SSB, CW, PSK	http://users.telenet.be/on4ann/MJ/index.html
ZS8C	Marion Island	Now	6/15/2013	ZR6CWI & ZS1BCE, 40-10M SSB & Digital until April 2014	-
ST2FT	Sudan	Now	6/30/2013		-
ZS6AKB/ST2	Sudan	Now	6/30/2013		-
XZ1K	Myanmar	Now	6/30/2013		-
T6T	Afghanistan	Now	6/30/2013	RL3AR	-
T6JP	Afghanistan	Now	6/30/2013	KB2OBQ, 160-6M, SSB CW until August 2014	-
T6MT	Afghanistan	Now	5/1/2014	KB2RLB	-
VK0JJJ	Antartica	Now	1/1/2014		-
D44TWO	Cape Verde Island	6/2/2013	6/20/2013	DF2WO, HF, Vacation	-
FS/K9EL	St. Martin	6/11/2013	6/28/2013		-
VP2V/W9DR	St. Vincent Island	6/14/2013	6/28/2013	Six Meters, Bcn 50115.6 MHz	-

Have you ever felt like this?



From Arnie, N6HC

DXpedition Donations

The board convened on May 11, 2013. At the meeting the board approved a special early donation to two DXpeditions. SCDXC will forward \$1000 to the Heard Island DXpedition and the Amsterdam Island DXpedition. These are both extremely rare entities that require heroic effort to activate. Furthermore both teams are seasoned and have a strong track record of getting the job done regardless of the obstacles set in their way. Finally there are club members going on the Amsterdam expedition and possibly on the Heard Island DXpedition. That adds to the personal nature of the venture. They do meet the top 25 entities most needed on the West Coast.

In order to get our logo on the cards we will forward the funds in advance of their trip. Normally we wait however we have missed the print time on a few donations. Lets make these two a success and emblem of our clubs commitment to DX.



The Heard Island Dxpediton has been rescheduled to 2015. The club will act on that donation next year.

<http://www.heardisland.org/>



The Amsterdam Island Dxpediton is scheduled for 18 days starting January 24th, 2014.

<http://www.amsterdamdxc.org/>

DXpedition Matching Fund Donations

In addition to the \$2500 donated to the NCDXF, and the special donations to VK0 and FT5 we will also be conducting our usual matching fund. This could net \$500 more per DXpedition, possibly more. We also encourage individual donations from our membership.

For those unfamiliar with the SCDXC Matching Donation Fund the club matches dollar for dollar donations made to the DXpedition up to \$250. If the donations exceed that amount all of money donated plus the \$250 matching donation is forwarded to the DXpedition. We encourage as many members to dig deep and pitch in. We are one of the top DX clubs on the West Coast and we will benefit from this activity!

Donation Encouraging New Hams

The board also voted to donate study materials for two Boy Scout troops who expressed interest in amateur radio. Mel has suggested using WEMS this summer as the location for a study session followed by a VE exam given by club members. The students will receive a technician study guide and materials showing how to get on the air. They will attend the day testing session given by an independent instructor. At the end of the session the test will be administered and the students that pass will receive more materials. To earn the merit badge scouts must visit an active amateur radio station. Mel will escort the scouts to the WEMS club station satisfying this requirement. This would be an excellent segue into DXing.

If you know someone interested in a ham license please contact one of the board members. This may become a regular activity.

For Sale in Chino Valley Az.

Dick, W7QHE, a long time AZ resident will be moving to VA later this year and will have his home for sale soon. The home is located in the town of Chino Valley, AZ on a one acre subdivision lot, 15 miles North of Prescott, AZ.

To read info on his home and see photos, go to: <http://www.n7cw.com/w7qhe-1.html> . Please note that the photos are on pages /w7qhe-2 and /w7qhe-3.

Dick would like to sell his home to a ham and would include the existing HDX 572 tower and antennas. See purchase options at the bottom of page 1.

For more details info, contact Dick directly at on the phone number on the site.

73,
Ray,
N6VR
Chino Valley, AZ

SPURIOUS OUTPUTS

Comments, Announcements, and Interesting Tidbits Submitted by Members

Birthdays

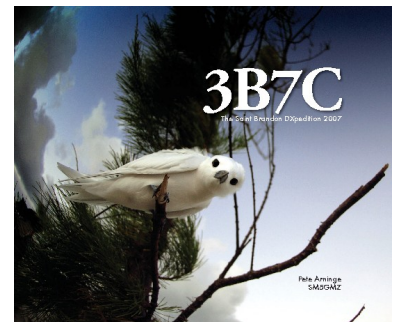
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KR6C	Chuck	K6LPO	Dick	W6TJO	Fred		
Carl	WU6D	N6OT	Tom	KC6TOD	Kris		

Here are the June birthdays! Many happy returns and may you have many more!

St. Brandon Island Dxpediton

A beautiful book about the 3B7C DXpediton of 2007 has come to market. The author is Pete (SM5GMZ), who is a member of the Southern California DX Club. Bob (N6OX) and Arnie (N6HC) were members of this DXpediton team. Please check out the link below.

<http://www.blurb.com/b/4276836-3b7c>



In 2007, the Five Star DXers Association, FSDXA, organized a large DXpediton to St. Brandon Island in the Indian Ocean. This DXpediton still rates as the most successful ever in terms of the number of contacts during an absolute sunspot minimum. The call sign, 3B7C, was for three intense weeks in September 2007, synonymous with global fellowship and heartfelt joy that is so typical among large numbers of ham radio operators all over the world, as they shared the best hobby of them all – amateur radio.

3B7C is primarily a photo book based on the documentary tradition within photography. The author, Pete Arninge (SM5GMZ), has been working as a journalist for more than 30 years, with 15 of those years devoted entirely to photojournalism. It is also a book filled with personal reflections and observations, showcasing what amateur radio really is all about as it erases borders and puts prejudices and preconceptions aside. The 3B7C team of 20 operators, from a variety of countries, succeeded in getting 137,500 QSOs into their log. This is the story about how it was done.

Don and his KX3 (NK6A)

Just to let you know the power of 5W and the KX3. Last Sat. I operated from a SOTA summit and took part in the QRP to the field event. Running stations on 15 CW brought a call from S58AL.

Antenna was a HFp vertical. Very cool!



Flybys (N6IC)

Don forwarded a cool link to military jet flybys. Some are pretty incredible!

<http://biertijd.com/mediaplayer/?itemid=19448>

SPURIOUS OUTPUTS

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For Sale (W6AQ)

The Alpha 87A is sold! I now have a Palstar AT-Auto which is like new. I've used it for five or six years and never had a problem with it. It comes with the cables, manual, and original invoice. Check out the reviews on eHam. \$950 firm. W6AQ@aol.com.

73, Dave

Convention Room Wanted (N6VR)

The Marriott had no rooms available by 11 AM on May 28th. I called non-stop from 10 AM and only got thru at 11 AM. I'm now booked at the Comfort Inn, not my preference.

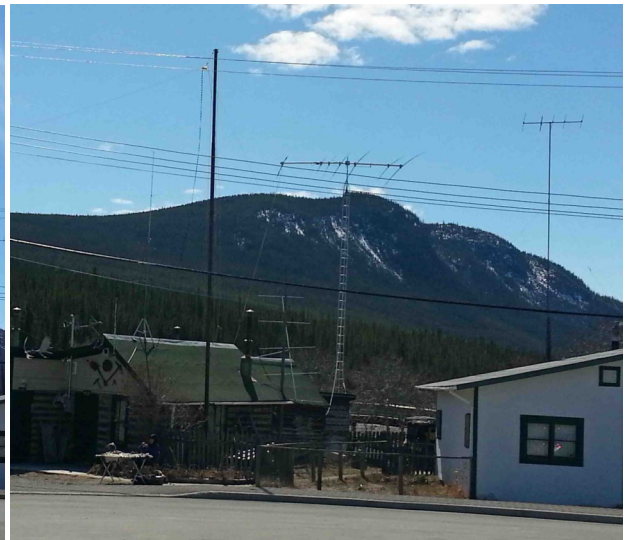
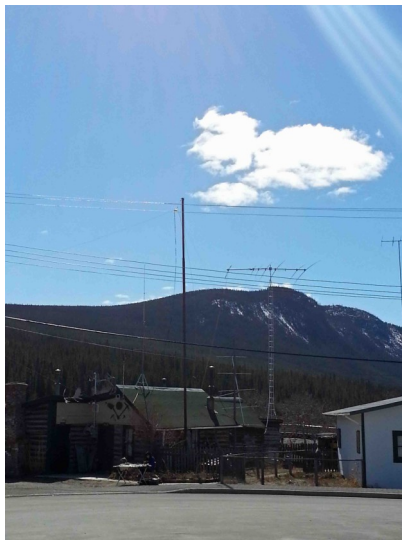
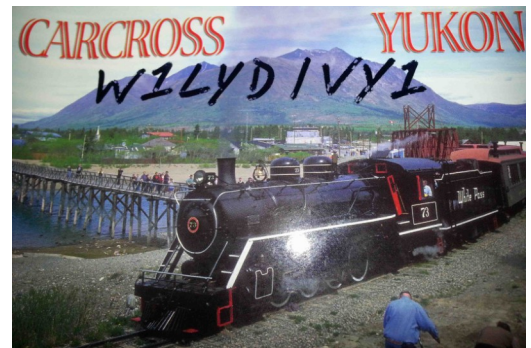
If anyone has an extra room at the Marriott for April 4 & 5, I'd be glad to take it!

Tnx, Ray, N6VR

(Hopefully most who made an effort to get into the Marriott managed to get a room. They always sell out fast and this venue has fewer rooms. Fortunately there are many hotels within walking distance and the Comfort Inn and Holiday Inn may still have rooms available! ... ed)

CQ Yukon (N6RV)

We just got back from an Alaskan cruise and it was great. Several members have been on the same cruise in the past and made some very good recommendations. George, N6VNI, mentioned a ham that lived at the top of Whitehorse pass in Carcross. This is in the Yukon territory. To get there you take the highway from Skagway, Alaska through British Columbia Canada, and into the Yukon. Here is the station in the town. Not much there except a few offices and the station. The weather was amazing. The sun was out and the days were warm enough! If you know me then you I know I am going to snap pictures of hams wherever I go!



HRO HAM JAM: WELCOME TO JUNE AND PREPARATIONS FOR FIELD DAY!

Come join Ham Radio Outlet, Anaheim for a Ham Jam on Saturday, June 15, 2013.

Just a week before the ARRL annual Field Day weekend, take advantage of the expertise of hams who have operated and excelled at Field Day; seminars, exhibits, clubs, mfrs, drawings, testing...food!

Tour the American Red Cross van and learn about volunteering; hopefully the OC RACES van and volunteers as well will be on hand. ARRL will be here with information about the League, and Carl Gardenias WU6D, the ARRL Orange Section Mgr, will regale us with Field Day stories and ARRL tips and guidelines. Gordon West will be available with suggestions and his operating expertise from many a Field Day. Chip Margelli, K7JA, with InnovAntennas now and Field Day Junkie since 1963, will share everything anyone wanted to know about antennas for portable or temporary operations. Heiko Peschel, AD6OI from the South Orange Amateur Radio Assn (SOARA) will detail VHF/UHF Field Day station organization and operating tips. We hope to have even more, more, more, and clubs wishing to set up a tent with information on their local Field Day sites are more than welcome to join us.

The American Heritage Girls will be serving lunch again this year; hot dogs, chips, soda @ \$1 each or all together for a \$2.00 lunch. All proceeds go to the girls, and maybe we can talk them into adding to the ranks of new, young hams by testing while they're here.

We will have several drawings, at 11AM, 1PM, and 3PM for various prizes, and hope to have several representatives here from some of the local manufacturers in case you have questions about specific radios. M2 is joining us this year to show some of their antenna options for Field Day type operations, and we hope to see reps from Yaesu and PowerWerx (Wouxun), and possibly others who are able to work us into their busy schedules. HRO staff will be on hand in full force to help in any way possible.

Please join us on Saturday, June 15 for Ham Radio Fun at Ham Radio Outlet, 933 N. Euclid St., Anaheim, CA 92801. Call us at 714-533-7373 for further details.

One More Thing!

I would like to take the opportunity to encourage you to pass along to your club officers and membership that each club is more than welcome to set up a table at our upcoming Ham Jam to entice new members and inform everyone about your own club's Field Day efforts. I would only ask that you advise me if you wish so to do, so I can plan a workable layout for everyone.

Janet



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UPCOMING SESSIONS:

Thurs, Jun 20, 6 PM

More to come....

2014 INTERNATIONAL DX CONVENTION

A Great Time with Great Friends

The Convention is On!

As you have seen in the page four announcement the 2014 convention will be held at the Visalia Convention Center (VCC). The selection process was extensive. It became evident at the 2012 convention the Holiday Inn was at capacity and to comfortably accommodate the number of banquet attendees something would have to change. The co-chairs worked with the Holiday Inn to mitigate the issue and in conclusion the cost difference between the two venues appears to be less than the benefits of the VCC. The committee chairs have assured the board that they can make the VCC work. **They have heard your comments and will be making the changes and improvements you have suggested.** Thank you to everyone who gave us constructive input and to those who patiently waited for the outcome. As you can imagine every year there are big challenges for the NCDXC and SCDXC Committees. **If you really want to see a great convention then please volunteer. The first meeting will be in August. We will be needing more workers to support the larger venue!**

2014 INTERNATIONAL DX CONVENTION PATCH DESIGN CONTEST



The 2014 IDXC Patch Design Contest has officially begun!

The rules are simple. Email your submissions to Don in jpeg format (n6ic@arrl.net) by the end of November. That gives him enough time to put together the candidate display for the December Holiday Party. He will present the patches to the Holiday Party attendees and they will vote for the winner.

Please keep the number of colors down to four or less. This reduces complexity and production costs.

The winner receives a free convention registration!



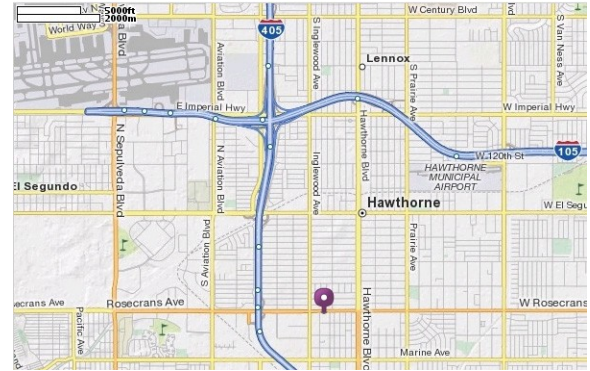
SCDXC Meeting Location

SCDXC Meets at WEMS Inc. on Rosecrans in Hawthorne. It is very close to the 405 Freeway however the entrance can be missed. The major landmark is the tower with the SteppIR antenna on top.

The driving directions to WEMS, Inc are as follows:

The address is: [4650 West Rosecrans Avenue, Hawthorne, CA. \(South side of street\)](#)

1. Coming South on the I-405 take the second Rosecrans (Rosecrans East) off ramp. At the bottom of the off ramp turn right and proceed to the next traffic light and turn right again on to Rosecrans Avenue. Go under the freeway and proceed East on Rosecrans past Inglewood Avenue. Go 1-1/2 blocks past Inglewood Avenue and make a right turn into the driveway between a one story building and a two story building with a tower and SteppIR antenna. Drive past the gate and park in any open parking space. We will be meeting in the one story building you just drove past. If you get to traffic light East of Inglewood avenue turn around and go back. Look for the antenna.
2. Coming North on the I-405 take the first Rosecrans off ramp (Rosecrans East) and turn right at the bottom of the off ramp onto Rosecrans Avenue. Go 1-1/2 blocks past Inglewood Avenue and make a right turn into the driveway between a one story building and a two story building with a tower and SteppIR antenna. Drive past the gate and park in any open parking space. We will be meeting in the one story building you just drove past. If you get to traffic light East of Inglewood avenue turn around and go back. Look for the antenna
3. Coming West on CA-91 merge on to I-110 South and then North onto the I-405. Once you are Northbound on the I-405 follow the directions in #2 above.
4. Coming West on the I-105 Exit the Hawthorne Blvd. off ramp. At the end of the very long off ramp turn left onto Hawthorne Blvd and proceed South to Rosecrans Avenue. Turn right on Rosecrans Avenue and proceed West. Just past the first traffic light after your turn onto Rosecrans move into the 2-way left turn lane and turn in the driveway between the two story building with tower/antenna and the one story building. As you drive down Rosecrans you should be able to see the tower on the two story building. Drive past the gate and park in any open parking space. We will be meeting in the one story building you just drove past.
5. If you live in the South Bay or Palos Verdes you are on your own.
6. If you would like to try Metro Light Rail, see Mel Hughes for information. WEMS is an easy walk from a Metro Green Line Station, or we can arrange a ride from the station to WEMS.



Pre-Club Meeting Dinner

Club members and visitors often meet before the meeting and enjoy a meal. Lately many of us have been going to #1 Buffet at 14418 Hawthorne Blvd, Lawndale, CA 90260, (310) 644-4007. The restaurant is just South and East of WEMS. Another group meets at the Denny's on the corner of Inglewood Avenue and Rosecrans Avenue. This is stones throw West of WEMS. For those interested in fine dining some of the best restaurants in the South Bay are located on Rosecrans just West between the 405 and Sepulveda (PCH). The Manhattan Beach area is a target rich food environment!



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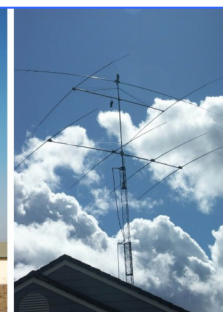
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